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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
AND PETITION OF RURAL NETWORK
SERVICES, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO
PROVIDE COMPETITIVE INTERLATA/
INTRALATA RESOLD TELECOMMUNICATIONS
SERVICES EXCEPT LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES.

Docket # F-0813536-4

NOTICE OF FILING OF AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATIONS

Rural Network Services, Inc. hereby submits copies of the affidavits of publication for the attached newspapers in verification that Rural Network Services, Inc. public notice in this matter was published in each of these newspapers on the date specified.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED THIS 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 1997

By: Rural Network Services, Inc.

Stephen Williams

Treasurer

Rural Network Services, Inc.

P.O. Box 217

Midvale, ID 83645

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#### **LEGAL NOTICE**

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING BY RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE COMPP. TIVE INTERLATA/INTRALATA TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES

On August 1st, 1997, Rural Network Services, Inc. ("Company") filed an application and petition with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide competitive interLATA/intraLATA resold telecommunications services, except forlocal exchange services, throughout the State of Anizona at the rates and terms specified in the tariffs filed with the application. The Company's application and petition is available for inspection during regular. business hours at the offices of the Arizona Corporation Commission in Phoenix, Arizona at 1200 West Washington Street.

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If you have any questions concerning this application, or want information of intervention, you should contact the Consumer Services Section of the Commission by calling: 1-800-222-7000.

Pub: 8/22/97
Req. Rural Network Services

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION**

STATE OF ARIZONA
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

p a e	DON HENSON being of first duly sworn, leposes and says: that he/she is PUBLISHER of the NOGALES INTERNATIONAL, a newspaper published in the County of Santa Cruz, State of Arizona, and of general circulation in said County, State and elsewhere, and that the hereto attached legal notice OTICE/RURAL NETWORK INTERLATA/INTRALATA
e t	was printed and published correctly in the regular and entire issue of said NOGALES INTERNATIONAL for issues; that the first publication was made on the day of _August , 19 97 , and the ast publication thereof was made on the 22 day of _August , 19 97
. 5	NOGALES INTERNATIONAL  Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22  day of August , 19 97.  Notary Public OFFICIAL SEAL  My Contents state es ANDRA L. MORALES

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

My Comm. Expires Jan. 11, 2001

#### Eastern Arizona

### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLISHER

Susan G. Curtis	,	being	first	duly sworn
That (s)he is theCLERK				,
of the EASTERN ARIZONA COURIER, a				
weekly newspaper, published in the City of	-14			
Safford, County of Graham, State of Arizona:				
That the Notice, a copy of which is hereto				
attached, described as follows: Nuscel				
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was published weekly in the entire and regular				•
issue of said the EASTERN ARIZONA				<b>.</b>
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consecutive weeks, the FIRST publication of said				
notice being				•
in the issue dated				
and the LAST publication being in the issue dated 1997				
The deponent further says that the Notice was				
published in the newspaper proper, and not in				
a supplement thereof.				
(SIGNED) Susan G. Curtis				
Sworn and Subscribed to me this				
day of Clubby 1997				
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My commission expires All - 85,1998				

## PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING BY RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE INTERLATA/ INTRALATA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

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Req.: Rural Network Services. Published August 20, 1997, in the Eastern Arizona Courier, Safford, Arizona 85548.

## THE COPPER ERA

#### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLISHER

Public notice of filing by Rural Network Services, Inc. To provide competitive Interlata/ Intralata Telecommunications Services

Susan G. Curtis
That (s)he is theCLERK
of the The Copper Era, a weekly newspaper,
published in the Town of Clifton, County of
Greenlee, State of Arizona: That the Notice, a
copy of which is hereto attached, described as
follows:
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-One:
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Youries
was published weekly in the entire and regular
issue of said the The Copper Era, for
consecutive weeks, the FIRST publication of said
notice being
in the issue dated
and the LAST publication being in the issue
dated <u>UUG. 20</u> ,19 <u>9</u> /.
The deponent further says that the Notice was
published in the newspaper proper, and not in
a supplement thereof.
(SIGNED) Susan G. Curtin
Sworn and Subscribed to me this
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Notary Public
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My commission expires 19 19

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Req.: Rural Network Services. Published August 20, 1997, in the Copper Era, Clifton, Arizona 85533.

#### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF ARIZONA :SS. **COUNTY OF PIMA** 

DIANA MCDONALD

being first

duly sworn, deposes and says that (he) (she) is the Legal Advertising Manager of the GREEN VALLEY NEWS and SUN, a newspaper published every Wednesday and Friday in the County of Pima, State of Arizona, and of general circulation in said County, and that the hereto attached

PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING BY RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

was printed and published in the regular and entire issue of said GREEN VALLEY

**NEWS and SUN for** 

issues; that the first was made

on the

day of

19

97

20th AUGUST and the last publication thereof was made on the

day of

20th

AUGUST

; that said publication

was made on each of the following dates, to-wit:

Ø8/2Ø/97

Request of

(L) RURAL NETWORK SERVICES

## green valley news and sun

Deana McDonald Ву

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of

20th

AUGUST

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My Commission Expires: SUUL

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Req: RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC. Pub: Green Valley News & Sun August 20, 1997

## Affidavit of Publication

State of Arizona,

	)ss.
County of Navajo,	
I, <u>Francie P</u> a	yne , being duly sworn, depose and say: I am
	General Manager of THE HOLBROOK TRIBUNE- NEWS, a newspaper of general circulation published at Holbrook,
PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING BY RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE INTERLATAMITRALATA	County of Navajo and State of Arizona; that the Public Notice of Filing by Rural Network Services, Inc. Legal #1836
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Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide competitive interLATA and intraLATA resold tele-communications services except for local exchange services throughout the State of Arizona, at the rates and terms specified in the tariffs filed with the applica-	HOLBROOK TRIBUNE- NEWS, for issues, and said notice was published in the regular and entire issue of every
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contact the Consumer Services Section of the Commission by calling 1-800-222-7000.	NOTARY PUBLIC
	My commission expires July 31, 1999

## **Proof of Publication**

STATE OF ARIZONA } ss.	
County of Mohave	
Linda Delano, being	first duly sworn, says
that during the publication of the notice, as herein mentioned,	he/she was and now is
the Legal Clerk of the MOHAVE VALI	LEY DAILY NEWS, six
times weekly newspaper published on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday	
and Friday of each and every week at the city of Bullhead City, in s	said county.
That said newspaper was printed and published as aforesaid	PUBLIC NOTICE OF FILING BY RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC. TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE
on the following dates, to-wit:	INTERLATA/INTRALATA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES
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, 19	poration Commission ("Commission") fo a Certificate of Convenience and Neces
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OFFICIAL SEAL SANDRA K. WHITACRE	this application, or want information on intervention, you should contact the Con-
(My commission expires Notary Public - State of Arizona	sumer Services Section of the Commission
MOHAVE COUNTY My Comm. Expires Oct. 26, 1998	sion by calling 1-800-222-7000. Publish: August 18, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE
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TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE

INTERLATA/INTRALATA

TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES.
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#### Affidavit of Publication

DONOVAN M KRAMER, SR

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the United States of Am publisher of the Casa ( published at Casa Grar through Saturdays of e	s: That he is a native born citizen of herica, over 21 years of age, that he is Grande Dispatch, a daily newspaper ade, Pinal County, Arizona, Mondays ach week; that a notice, a full, true copy of which is hereunto attached,
was printed in the regul	ar edition of said newspaper, and not for ONE XXXXXXX ISSUE
in a supplement thereto	, for ONE ACOUSTICATION ISSUE
the first publication the	reof having been on the <u>18TH</u>
day of	AUGUSTA.D., 1997
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Third publication	19
Fourth publication	19
Fifth publication	19
Sixth publication	19
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Sworn to before me this	\ //
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	of Pinal State of Arizona

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Publish: Aug. 20, 1997.

#### **AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION**

STATE OF ARIZONA ) ss. COUNTY OF COCONINO )

I, ROBERT B. LARSON, Publisher of the

SEDONA RED ROCK NEWS

a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the County of Coconino, State of Arizona, do solemnly swear that a copy of the attached notice, in the matter of

RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

as per clipping attached, was published in the regular and entire section of said newspaper, and not in any supplement thereof, for a period of <u>one</u> ( 1 ) consecutive issues, as follows, to wit:

August 20, 1997

ROBERT B. LARSON, Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th day of August, 1997.

**Notary Public** 

(My commission expires 4/14/01)





# The Payson Roundup

P.O. Box 2520, Payson, AZ 85547 • 708 N. Beeline Hwy. (520) 474-5251 • Fax (520) 474-1893

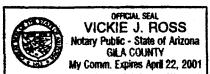
# STATE OF ARIZONA County of Gila

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge that the attached hereto was published in a newspaper of general circulation at Payson, Arizona, County of

Gila on the following dates:

8-20-97	

Vicku Han Notary Public



NOTICE: This Affidavit of Publication serves as a legal document for advertising concerning Articles of Incorporation. Advertisers of these matters should forward this document to the Arizona Corporation Commission.

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INTERLATAINTRALATA
TELECOMMUNICATION

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STATE OF ARIZONA ) ss. COUNTY OF YAVAPAI )

I, ROBERT B. LARSON, Publisher of

#### THE JOURNAL

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RURAL NETWORK SERVICES, INC.

as per clipping attached, was published weekly in the regular and entire edition of said newspaper, and not in any supplement thereof, on the following schedule:

August 20, 1997

ROBERT B. LARSON, Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 20th day of August, 19 97.

Notary Public

(My commission expires 4/14/01)



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Kevin Cloe, being duly sworn, upon oath, deposes and says: That he is the Publisher of

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A newspaper of general circulation in the County of Maricopa State of Arizona, Published in Wickenburg, Arizona, and that the copy hereto attached is a true copy of the advertisement as published weekly in <u>The Wickenburg Sun</u> on the Dates following:

August 20, 1997

Sworn to before me this 20th day of August A.D. 1997

BRENDA M. FORNOFF Notary Public - State of Arizona MARICOPA CIQUINTV My Comm. Expires April 15, 1998

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of Cochise, State of Arizona, and of general circulation in the City of Douglas, County

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Notary Public in and for the County of Cochise, State of Arizona

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of said county, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

that he is and at all times herein mentioned was a citizen of the United States, over the age of twenty one years, and is competent to be a witness on the trial of the above entitled action and that he is not a party to, nor interested in the above entitled matter.

That he is the Advertising Agent for the

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